Pradesh Pradesh. The issue of construction of irrigation Bye-Pass Tunnel (IBPT) at Sardar Sarovar Project had been discussed among the Chief Ministers of Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh and Ministers of Rajasthan and Maharashtra Accordingly the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh is compensated at free of cost for the loss of hydro power for all the water passing through IBPT and this loss should be converted into the million units of energy lost. Based on these discussions, the Review Committee of Narmada Control Authority in its 9th meeting held on 18-08-2001 decided that;

1. The Narmada Control Authority (NCA) decision on IBPT is endorsed and the construction of IBPT should be completed.
2. Government of Gujarat shall compensate Government of Madhya Pradesh, free of cost, for the loss of power due to running of IBPT, which will be calculated in million units.
3. The reservoir water level shall not be depleted below the Minimum Draw Down Level (MDDL) of elevation 110.64 metre.
4. The NCA shall evolve a mechanism to control and ensure that the reservoir water is not drawn through the IBPT below the MDDL.

(c) As per the request of the Government of Madhya Pradesh, the Government of Gujarat has provided Rs. 165 crore to the government of Madhya Pradesh as rehabilitation package to expedite the Ressettlement & Rehabilitation works in Madhya Pradesh as per the information provided by the Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited.

Revision of Indus Water Treaty Agreement

2778. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
DR. A.K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to revise the Indus Water Treaty made between India and Pakistan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have received any proposal from Government of Gujarat for allocation of water from eastern reivers of Indus basin;

(d) if so, the present status thereof; and

(e) whether Government are considering the case of allocating

the Indus Basin Water to *Kachchha* looking to it s geographic situation and hydrological condition same as to Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI): (a) and (b) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to revise the Indus Water Treaty between India and Pakistan.

(c) and (d) Government of Gujarat has submitted proposals for allocation of the waters of the Western Rivers of Indus basin to the Kutch region of Gujarat on the plea that it is a part of this basin. It has further requested that this water share of the Western Rivers be given to the Kutch region through the Eastern Rivers by extension of the existing Indira Gandhi canal of Rajasthan.

(e) No, Sir. It is not permissible to allocate Indus waters to the Kutch region of Gujarat according to the existing Indus Waters Treaty as no part of the state of Gujarat lies in the Indus basin.

Financial assistance to Andhra Pradesh for development of Irrigation Projects

2779. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:
SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has urged the Central Government to help and provide financial assistance for implementing an action plan to develop irrigation sources at a cost of Rs. 10,000 crores; and

(b) if so, the assistance Government have agreed to provide to the State Government in completing these irrigation projects?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI): (a) As per the draft X Plan proposals Government of Andhra Pradesh has proposed an outlay of Rs. 10075.77 crore in X Plan for irrigation sector.

(b) The Central Government is providing Central Loan Assistance (CLA) udner Accelerated Irrigation projects which are in an advanced stage of completion and an amount of Rs. 663.801 crore has been released for 10 projects in Andhra Pradesh since inception of this programme in 1996-97.